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CONGLETON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE YEAR 1920.

MR. CHAIRMAN & GENTLEMEN,

I BEG TO PRESENT MY REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1920.

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.	C.H.WENTWORTH BENNETT.
POPULATION AT CENSUS 1901.	12,220.
" " " 1911.	12,845.
ESTIMATED POPULATION FOR BIRTH-RATE.	12,799.
" " " DEATH-RATE.	12,287.
AREA IN ACRES. - - - - - - - - - - -	40,155.
BIRTH-RATE PER 1,000.	25.72.
DEATH-RATE PER 1,000.	9.60.
BIRTHS REGISTERED IN 1920.	316.
DEATHS REGISTERED IN 1920 EXCLUDING NON-RESIDENTS.	123.
DEATHS UNDER 1 YEAR PER 1,000 BIRTHS.	41.1.
DEATH-RATE FROM 7 PRINCIPAL ZYMOTIC DISEASES.	.38.

THE WHOLE DISTRICT IS DIVIDED INTO 3 SUB-DISTRICTS & ARE AS FOLLOWS:-

SANDBACH HAVING AN AREA OF 17,857 ACRES & A POPULATION OF 8,745 INCLUDES SMALLWOOD, ODD RODE, CHURCH LAWTON, HASSALL, BETCHTON, WHEELOCK, ARCLID, BRADWALL, TETTON, MOSTON & ELTON.

CHURCH HULME HAVING AN AREA OF 14,912 ACRES & A POPULATION OF 3,066 INCLUDES GOOSTREY-CUM-BARNSHAW, BLACKDEN, TWEMLOW, CRANAGE, LEESE, CHURCH HULME, SWETTENHAM, KERMINCHAM, BRERETON-CUM-SMETHWICK & DAVENPORT.

CONGLETON HAVING AN AREA OF 7,886 ACRES & A POPULATION OF 1,034 INCLUDES SUMMERFORD & SUMMERFORD BOOTHS, HULME WALFIELD, NEWBOLD, ASTBURY & MORETON-CUM-ALCUMLOW.

BIRTH-RATES FOR THE DISTRICTS ARE:-
SANDBACH 25.3. CHURCH HULME 24.4. CONGLETON 18.3.

INFANT MORTALITY.

13 DEATHS HAVE OCCURRED IN INFANTS UNDER THE AGE OF 12 MONTHS, GIVING AN INFANT MORTALITY OF 41.1 PER 1,000 BIRTHS.

ZYMOTIC DISEASE.

THERE HAVE BEEN 2 DEATHS FROM ZYMOTIC DISEASE IN THE DISTRICT GIVING A DEATH RATE OF .15. ONE DEATH WAS DUE TO DIARRHAEA, THE OTHER TO DIPTHERIA.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

I HAVE RECEIVED 60 CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE IN NOTIFICATIONS, OF WHICH 21 WERE SCARLET FEVER, ONE TYPHOID, 9 DIPTHERIA & 29 WHOOPING COUGH.

28 OF THESE CASES WERE SENT TO THE SANATORIUM AT WEST HEATH, CONGLETON. ON RECEIPT OF THE NOTIFICATION EVERY CASE IS VISITED & IF REMOVED THE ROOMS WERE IMMEDIATELY DISINFECTED & INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN TO THE PARENTS AS TO THE BEST METHOD OF PREVENTING ANY SPREAD OF THE INFECTION.

IF THE CASES ARE EFFICIENTLY ISOLATED & KEPT AT HOME THE HOUSE IS DISINFECTED ON THEIR RECOVERY.

SCARLETINA OF THESE CASES 14 OCCURRED AT ELWORTH, 2 AT MOW COP, 1 AT MORETON, 1 KENT GREEN, 1 ELTON, 1 BLACKDEN, 1 AT BRADWELL.

TYPHOID. ONE AT KENT GREEN.

DIPTHERIA. 3 CASES AT BROOK HOUSE GREEN, 3 AT WHEELOCK & 3 AT ELWORTH.

PUERPERAL FEVER. TWO, BOTH AT LAWTON.

WHOOPING COUGH OCCURRED CHIEFLY AT MOW COP, CRANAGE & LEESE.

ERYSIPELAS. 8 CASES WERE REPORTED TO ME.

WATER SUPPLY. SEVERAL PARTS OF THE DISTRICT ARE POORLY SUPPLIED. MOW COP IS STILL WITHOUT A SATISFACTORY SUPPLY BUT IS BETTER OFF THAN THE YEAR BEFORE AS THE PARSONS WELL HAS BEEN REPAIRED & IS GIVING A GOOD SUPPLY WHICH IS EXTENSIVELY USED.

WATER SUPPLY (Contd).

HASSALL GREEN IS BETTER OFF THIS YEAR OWING TO AN IMPROVEMENT IN THE MAIN.

CRANAGE & ASTBURY ARE WITHOUT A GOOD SUPPLY.

HOLMES CHAPEL IS SUPPLIED BY THE MIDDLEWICH URBAN COUNCIL BUT THE PRESSURE IS VERY POOR & THE SUPPLY CONSEQUENTLY UNSATISFACTORY.

SEWAGE DISPOSAL.

THE IRRIGATION GROUNDS ARE WORKING WELL & SATISFACTORY.

THE ELWORTH SEWAGE SCHEME IS NOT SATISFACTORY OWING TO TRADE REFUSE GETTING INTO THE DRAINS & INTERFERING WITH THE ACTION OF THE BEDS. THIS OUGHT TO BE ATTENDED TO, AT ONCE.

MOW BANK & VILLAGE ARE NOT PROPERLY DRAINED & THE VILLAGE OF KENT GREEN IS IN A BAD STATE AS REGARDS ITS DRAINAGE.

THIRLWOOD IS ALSO VERY BAD, THE DITCH INTO WHICH THE SEWAGE FLOWS IS IN A FILTHY CONDITION.

BAKE-HOUSES. THESE HAVE BEEN INSPECTED & FOUND CLEAN & IN A GOOD CONDITION. NO UNDER-GROUND BAKE-HOUSES EXIST IN THE DISTRICT.

DAIRIES & COWSHEDS. THERE ARE 121 REGISTERED. THESE HAVE BEEN INSPECTED AT DIFFERENT TIMES & FOUND TO BE CLEAN & IN GOOD CONDITION. VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS HAVE BEEN ADVISED & CARRIED OUT.

TUBERCULOSIS. 6 CASES HAVE BEEN REPORTED TO ME & HAVE BEEN VISITED & ADVICE GIVEN AS TO THE BEST METHODS OF DISINFECTION. I PROVIDE SPUTUM FLASKS IF WANTED.

FACTORY & WORKSHOPS ACT. THERE ARE 73 ON THE REGISTER & ARE INSPECTED. THEY HAVE/ BEEN FOUND IN GOOD ORDER WELL VENTILATED & WITH GOOD LIGHT & AIR SPACE.

POLLUTION OF RIVERS. THE WHEELOCK BROOK IS POLLUTED BY

THE BIRCHENWOOD WORKS AT KIDSGROVE & ALSO BY BRUNNER MOND'S WORKS AT MALKINS BANK RENDERING THE WATER UNFIT FOR CATTLE TO DRINK.

WHOLESOMENESS OF FOOD. NO FOOD HAS BEEN FOUND UNFIT FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION IN THE DISTRICT.

SLAUGHTER-HOUSES. THERE ARE 9 IN THE DISTRICT & THESE HAVE BEEN INSPECTED & FOUND IN GOOD ORDER.

CANAL BOATS. 42 CANAL BOATS HAVE BEEN INSPECTED & NO INFRINGEMENT OF THE REGULATIONS BEEN FOUND.

HOUSING & TOWN PLANNING ACT. NO INSPECTIONS HAVE BEEN MADE THIS YEAR UNDER THE ACT OF 1909.

26 NEW HOUSES HAVE BEEN BUILT BY PRIVATE ENTERPRISE 22 AT ELWORTH BY MESSRS. FODEN & CO: FOR THEIR WORKMEN & 4 AT HOLMES CHAPEL.

ONE CLOSING ORDER HAS BEEN SERVED & PROCEEDINGS ARE BEING TAKEN IN THIS CASE.

I MUST CONGRATULATE THE COUNCIL ON THEIR WORK IN BUILDING HOUSES IN THE DISTRICT. MANY NEIGHBOURING COUNCILS HAVE NOR BEGUN BUT IN THIS DISTRICT SOME ARE NEARING COMPLETION. THE NUMBER PROPOSED TO BE ERECTED IS 121 & THOSE AT WHEELOCK ARE WELL ADVANCED. THOSE AT HOLMES CHAPEL & LAWTON ARE IN PROCESS OF ERECTION.

REMOVAL OF EXCRETA. THIS IS DONE BY CONTRACT & IN SOME PARTS OF THE DISTRICT IT IS CARRIED OUT WELL BUT IN OTHER PARTS THE WORK LEAVES MUCH TO BE DESIRED, BUT THE INSPECTOR KEEPS THE CONTRACTOR UP TO HIS WORK AS FAR AS HE IS ABLE.

ASHES REMOVAL. THIS IS ALSO DONE BY CONTRACT & FOR THE GREATER PART CARRIED OUT SATISFACTORILY.

INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

THE INSPECTOR REPORTS THAT HE HAS CARRIED OUT AN INSPECTION OF THE WHOLE OF THE DISTRICT AT DIFFERENT INTERVALS, READ THE WATER METERS, PAID 873 VISITS,

REPORTED 26 NUISANCES TO THE COUNCIL & IN EACH CASE SENT AN INFORMAL NOTICE.

SCHOOL CLOSURE.

THE SCHOOLS HAVE NOT BEEN CLOSED SO MUCH THIS YEAR AS LAST OWING TO THERE NOT BEING SO MUCH INFECTIOUS DISEASE ABOUT. THE CLOSURES WERE EFFECTED AT -

WHEELOCK,	JANUARY 19th to FEBRUARY 9th	ON ACCOUNT OF MEASLES.
GOOSTREY,	" 5th to JANUARY 12th	" " " MUMPS.
SWETTENHAM,	" 19th to FEBRUARY 2nd	" " "INFLUENZA.
RODE HEATH,	FEBRUARY 18th to MARCH 22nd	" " "MUMPS & WHOOPING COUGH.
BYLEY,	JANUARY 27th to FEBRUARY 6th	" " OF WHOOPING COUGH.
ODD RODE,	MARCH 16th to APRIL 1st	" " OF MUMPS & WHOOPING COUGH.
HULME WALLFIELD,	APRIL 15th to APRIL 23rd,"	" OF INFLUENZA.

F. Hoatworth Bennett

M.O.H.

JANY: 1921.

CHESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL.

TABULAR SUMMARY OF SANITARY WORK DURING 1920.

NAME OF DISTRICT. CONGLETON RURAL.

I. WATER SUPPLY.

1. HAVE ANY EXTENSIONS BEEN CARRIED OUT DURING 1920?

EXTENSION MADE AT ELTON FOR NEW HOUSES.

2. NUMBER OF SAMPLES ANALYSED DURING 1920 - CHEMICALLY. NIL

BACTERIOLOGICALLY. - NIL.

3. ARE ANY, & IF SO WHAT, PARTS OF YOUR DISTRICT STILL WITHOUT A PROPER SUPPLY OF WATER? YES
MOW COP, MOUNT PLEASANT, MOW BANK, HASSALL GREEN, SMALLWOOD & A PART OF ASTBURY.

II. SEWERAGE & SEWAGE DISPOSAL.

1. SPECIFY ANY NEW WORKS OF SEWERAGE CARRIED OUT DURING 1920
NONE.

2. ARE ANY, & IF SO WHAT, PARTS OF YOUR DISTRICT STILL WITHOUT A PROPER SYSTEM OF SEWERS? YES.
THURLWOOD, MOW BANK, HALL GREEN, WHEELOCK & HOLMES CHAPEL.

3. HAVE THERE BEEN ANY COMPLAINTS TO YOUR KNOWLEDGE DURING 1920 AS TO THE DISPOSAL WORKS? YES.
ELWORTH BACTERIA WORKS OUT OF ORDER, NOT WORKING OWING TO TRADE WASTE HAVING KILLED BACTERIA ACTION.

4. HAVE ANY ALTERATIONS OR EXTENSIONS TAKEN PLACE TO YOUR KNOWLEDGE IN THE DISPOSAL WORKS DURING 1920? NO.

III. HOUSING.

1. NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES BUILT DURING 1920?) 26.

2. " " DWELLING-HOUSES INSPECTED UNDER S. 17 ACT OF 1909.) Nil

3. " " SUCH HOUSES CONSIDERED UNFIT FOR HABITATION.) ONE.

4. " " REPRESENTATIONS MADE TO LOCAL - - AUTHORITY.) ONE.

5. " " CLOSING ORDERS MADE BY LOCAL - - AUTHORITY.) ONE

6. " " HOUSES WHERE DEFECTS REMEDIED - - WITHOUT CLOSING ORDERS BEING MADE.) NONE.

7. " " HOUSES WHERE DEFECTS REMEDIED AFTER CLOSING ORDERS MADE.) NONE.

8. ESTIMATED OR ASCERTAINED NUMBER OF HOUSES WITHIN LIMITS OF RENT IN S.14 OF ACT OF 1909. } 2306.

9. NUMBER OF SUCH HOUSES IN RESPECT OF WHICH NOTICE WAS SERVED DURING 1920.) 57.

10. NUMBER OF SUCH HOUSES CLOSED AFTER NOTICE) NIL

11. " " " " WHERE LOCAL AUTHORITY HAS EXECUTED NECESSARY - - REPAIRS, &c.) NIL.

12. APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF BACK-TO-BACK HOUSES IN DISTRICT) NIL

13. " " " CELLAR DWELLINGS IN - - DISTRICT) NIL.

14. WHAT NUMBER OF DWELLING-HOUSES FOR THE WORKING CLASSES HAS YOUR COUNCIL, DECIDED ARE REQUIRED UNDER THE RECENT HOUSING ACT?) 1[illegible]

IV TOWN PLANNING.

HAS ANY SCHEME OF TOWN PLANNING BEEN PUT FORWARD DURING 1920 FOR YOUR DISTRICT OR ANY PART THEREOF? IF SO, PLEASE GIVE BRIEF NOTE OF PART OF - - DISTRICT COVERED BY SCHEME)

HOLMES CHAPEL, WHEELOCK, LAWTON.

HOUSES IN COURSE OF ERECTION & A NUMBER NEAR COMPLETION.

V. MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE.

1. HAS A HEALTH VISITOR BEEN APPOINTED - WHOLE TIME. NO.
PART TIME. NO.

2. ARE ALL THE BIRTHS WHICH NEED VISITATION SEEN BY HEALTH VISITOR? IF SO HOW OFTEN?) NO.

3. HAVE YOU ANY MATERNITY CENTRE, MOTHERS' SCHOOLS, DAY NURSERY, INFANT CONSULTATION, SCHOOL FOR MOTHERS, &c., IN YOUR DISTRICT.) NO.

(SIGNED) J Wentworth [illegible]

DATE 3rd MARCH 1921.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE YEAR 1920, FOR THE RURAL DISTRICT OF CONGLETON, ON THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE FACTORY & WORKSHOP ACT, 1901, IN CONNECTION WITH FACTORIES, WORKSHOPS, WORKPLACES & HOMEWORK.

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1. - INSPECTION OF FACTORIES, WORKSHOPS & WORKPLACES, INCLUDING INSPECTIONS MADE BY SANITARY INSPECTORS OR INSPECTORS OF NUISANCES.

PREMISES (1)	NUMBER OF INSPECTIONS. (2)	WRITTEN NOTICES (3)	PROSECUTIONS. (4)
FACTORIES (INCLUDING FACTORY LAUNDRIES.)	14	--	--
WORKSHOPS (INCLUDING WORKSHOP LAUNDRIES)	10	NONE.	NONE.
WORKPLACES (OTHER THAN OUTWORKERS' PREMISES INCLUDED IN PART 5 OF THIS REPORT.)	NONE.	--	--
TOTAL. . .	.24.	--	--

2. - DEFECTS FOUND IN FACTORIES, WORKSHOPS & WORKPLACES.

PARTICULARS. (1)	NUMBER OF DEFECTS. FOUND (2)	REMEDIED (3)	REFERRED TO H.M. INSPECTOR (4)	NUMBER OF PROSECUTIONS. (5)
NUISANCES UNDER THE PUBLIC HEALTH ACTS:- WANT OF CLEANLINESS, WANT OF VENTILATION, OVERCROWDING, WANT OF DRAINAGE OF FLOORS, OTHER NUISANCES.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.
SANITARY ACCOMMODATION) INSUFFICIENT)	4	4	-	-
UNSUITABLE OR DEFECTIVE)	6	6	-	-
NOT SEPARATE FOR SEXES.	3	3	-	-
OFFENCES UNDER THE FACTLRY & WORKSHOP ACTS	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.
TOTAL.	13.	13.	--	--

3. - HOME WORK. NIL.

		NUMBER.
4. -	REGISTERED WORKSHOPS. MALT WORKS, ENGINEERING FOUNDRY, WIRE WORKS, VELVET CUTTING &c, BONE WORKS.	73.

5. - OTHER MATTERS. NIL.

(SIGNED) M.O.H.
DATE 3rd MARCH 1921.

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RURAL DISTRICT OF CONGLETON.

NAME OF SANITARY INSPECTOR: WILLIAM WALLEY,
ADDRESS: HALLFIELDS, BIDDULPH,
CONGLETON.

CHESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL.

GENERAL ORDER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD.
(MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH AND INSPECTOR OF NUISANCES)
DECEMBER 13th, 1910.

TABULAR STATEMENT OF INSPECTOR OF NUISANCES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31st, 1920.

A. NUMBER & NATURE OF INSPECTIONS MADE.	NUMBER.	B. NO: OF NOTICES SERVED.		C. RESULT OF SERVICE OF NOTICES.			
		STATUTORY.	INFORMAL.	NOTICES COMPLIED WITH.	REMAINING IN HAND.	PROSECUTIONS. INSTITUTED	PENDING
1. DWELLING HOUSES (GENERAL INSPECTIONS.)	2,254.	Nil	76	35	41	Nil	Nil
2. CELLAR DWELLINGS.	Nil.						
3. BACK-TO-BACK HOUSES.	Nil.						
(4) TENTS, VANS, SHEDS, &c.	Nil.						
5. COURTS, YARDS, PASSAGES.	Nil.						
6. PRIVY-MIDDENS, EARTH OR PAIL CLOSETS.	235.						
7. CESSPOOLS.	NOT KNOWN.						
8. HOUSE DRAINAGE.	do.						
9. DITCHES, WATERCOURSES &c.	do.						
10. OFFENSIVE ACCUMULATIONS.	do.						
11. THE KEEPING OF ANIMALS (P.H.A., 1875, S.91 (3).	do.						
12. OFFENSIVE TRADES.	do.						
13. (a) SLAUGHTERHOUSES (PUBLIC)	Nil.						
" (PRIVATE)	8.						
(b) OTHER PLACES WHERE FOOD IS PRODUCED OR SOLD.	4.						
14. PIGGERIES.	SEVERAL.						
15. (a) DAIRIES.	10						
(b) COWSHEDS.	108.						
(c) MILKSHOPS.	1.						
16. (a) FACTORIES.	3.						
(b) WORKSHOPS.	53.						
(c) WORKPLACES.	10.						
(d) OUTWORKERS' PREMISES.	Nil.						
17. BAKEHOUSES (OVERGROUND.	11.						
" (UNDERGROUND.	Nil.						
18. COMMON LODGING HOUSES.	Nil.						
19. HOUSES LET IN LODGINGS.	Nil.						
20. SMOKE OBSERVATIONS.	Nil.						
21. CANAL BOATS.	42.	Nil.	Nil.				
22. INFECTIOUS DISEASE – – INQUIRIES & REVISITS.	137.						
23. MISCELLANEOUS.	Nil.						
TOTAL.	2,866.	Nil.	76.	35	41	Nil.	Nil

(SIGNED)